

Councilmember Futcher called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Deputy Mayor Kim Lefevre had requested that Councilmember Futcher preside the meeting in Mayor Nancy Malone's absence. Councilmembers in attendance were Jeffrey McAllister, Mike Karnofski, Kim Lefebvre, David Futcher, Keenan Harvey, and Lisa Alexander. Mayor Nancy Malone was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, 'Approve the Minutes of the 8/18/20 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

CITIZENS BUSINESS: None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Andrew Hamilton: 1) Commented that the Kelso-Longview Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center's Lease Agreement and Administration MOU would be expiring at the end of next year. He asked the Council for direction regarding the renewal of these agreements. Discussion followed. The consensus of the Council was for the city manager to move forward with negotiations toward renewing the agreements. 2) Provided a Cowlitz County COVID-19 statistics update. 3) Spoke about various meetings he attended. 4) Reminder that this is the last month to submit the 2020 Census Survey. 4) Asked the Council to contact Executive Assistant Jessica Bronstein to schedule a time to discuss the upcoming city manager's employee evaluation. 5) Commented that there was still space open for those that would like to participate in the Kelso Highlander Parade on September 12th.

STAFF REPORT:

Chief of Police Darr Kirk: Provided an officer staffing update.

Public Works Superintendent Randy Johnson: 1) Commented on summer projects. 2) Provided a water level update.

Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield: Commented that a proposed ordinance to refinance the 2010 Water/Sewer Bond is forthcoming.

Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas: Provided an update on the West Main Phase II Project, the Tam O'Shanter Parking Improvements Project, and the South Kelso Railroad Crossing Project. 2) Reported that the staff is working on updates to the pavement management system and the engineering standard drawings.

Library Manager Natalee Corbett: Commented that the library is working on a program that would provide remote access to library cards.

Airport Manager Chris Paolini: 1) Provided an update on the multi-agency approval process regarding the 2021 Airport Budget. 2) Commented that, as of today, the airport had a new tenant.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mike Karnofski: No report.

Jeffrey McAllister: No report.

Keenan Harvey: Commented that the Solid Waste Advisory Committee meetings have been going well. He commented that he also attended the Cowlitz Economic Development Council meeting.

Lisa Knight Alexander: No report.

Kim Lefebvre: No report.

David Futcher: No report.

There being no further business, Councilmember Futcher adjourned the meeting at 6:17 PM.


MAYOR


CITY CLERK